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SUBJ: POSSIBLE LIMITATIONS ON EXPORTS OF SELECTED FOODSTUFFS

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1. PRESIDENT' S ANNOUNCEMENT OF JUNE 13 INCLUDED STATEMENT
THAT US INTENDS TO " CONSULT WITH OTHER NATIONS TO SEEK
THEIR COOPERATION IN RESOLVING THE WORLDWIDE PROBLEM OF
RISING FOOD PRICES". YOU SHOULD INITIATE SUCH CONSULTA-
TIONS, DRAWING ON REFTEL AND ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE WHICH IS
BEING SENT SIMULTANEOUSLY SEPTTEL.

2. IN YOUR DISCUSSIONS, YOU SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT AS PART
OF THIS CONSULTATION PROCESS, US NEEDS TO HAVE AVAILABLE
ON AN URGENT BASIS BEST INFORMATION FROM HOST GOVERNMENTS
ON WHEAT AND FEEDGRAINS. UP- TO- DATE INFORMATION NEEDED
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FROM GOVERNMENTS ON (1) CURRENT STOCKS AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT (JUNE 30), (2) EXPECTED SIZE OF COMING CROP, (3) AMOUNT OF NEW CROP AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT, AND (4) TOTAL EXPORT COMMITMENTS ALREADY MADE AGAINST CURRENT STOCKS AND NEW CROP EXPORTABLE SUPPLIES. LIMIT COMMODITY COVERAGE AT THIS TIME TO WHEAT, RYE, BARLEY, SORGHUM AND OATS. IN ADDITION TO ANNUAL EXPORTABLE TOTAL, INCLUDE

ESTIMATE OF QUARTERLY BREAKDOWN BEGINNING JULY- SEPTEMBER 1973 QUARTER THROUGH JUNE 1974. YOU SHOULD INDICATE TO HOST GOVERNMENTS THAT WE WILLING TO SHARE RESULTS OF THIS SURVEY AS PART OF THE CONSULTATION PROCESS, INCLUDING THE RESULTS OF THE EXPORT MONITORING SYSTEM JUST INSTALLED IN US. IN ADDITION, US- EC SHOULD PROVIDE LATEST COMMISSION ESTIMATES OF IMPORT NEEDS IN ADDITION TO EXPORT AVAILABILITIES.

3. WHILE WE REALIZE MUCH OF THIS INFORMATION ALREADY AVAILABLE IN WASHINGTON THROUGH FAS REPORTING AND ARE ALREADY ASSEMBLING SUCH DATA, WE CONSIDER IT IMPORTANT TO BRING MAJOR EXPORTING COUNTRIES WHICH MAY BE AFFECTED BY CONTROLS INTO CONSULTATION PROCESS AT AN EARLY STAGE, AND FURTHERMORE CONSIDER THEIR LATEST OFFICIAL ESTIMATES A MAJOR PART OF OUR ASSESSMENT OF OVERALL SITUATION. ROGERS UNQUOTE ROGERS

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